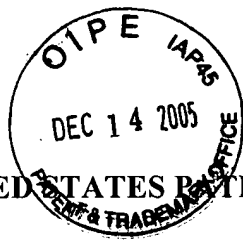


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Minoru HANAZAKI : Confirmation Number: 1760
Application No.: 10/800,710 : Group Art Unit: 3729
Filed: March 16, 2004 : Examiner: Minh N. Trinh

For: SEMICONDUCTOR PROCESSING APPARATUS HAVING SEMICONDUCTOR
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STATUS INQUIRY

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Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on March 16, 2004. Since more than one and one-half years have elapsed since that date, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed on or before September 21, 2004 in the above-assigned group art unit should have received an action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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